

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 827

By Mumpower

A RESOLUTION to propose an amendment to Article I of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee, relative to the rights and protections afforded to human beings.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that a majority of all the members of each house concurring, as shown by the yeas and nays entered on their journals, that it is proposed that Article I of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee be amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

SECTION ____.

(a) The right to life is the natural, fundamental and inviolable right of every human being, other than one who is convicted of a capital offense.

(b) Except as the provisions of this Constitution specifically provide to the contrary, the rights and protections afforded to human beings by this Constitution apply irrespective of age, race, sex, health, function, condition of dependency, or stage of embryonic or fetal development within the womb.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing amendment be referred to the One Hundred Sixth General Assembly and that this resolution proposing such amendment be published by the Secretary of State in accordance with Article XI, Section 3, of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to deliver a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of State.